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1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED SOME CLARIFICATION OF IMPORT RESTRICTIONS OUTLINED REFTEL. TOTAL IMPORT BAN IS IN EFFECT ON FOLLOWING FOODS: WHOLE CHICKEN (FRESH AND FROZEN), CONDENSED AND EVAPORATED MILK, BEER, MARGARINE, BISCUITS (BOTH SWEET AND UNSWEETENED), CANNED SWEET POTATOES, GREETING AND CHRISTMAS CARDS, CHAIRS.

2. FOLLOWING ITEMS, SOME OF WHICH WERE PREVIOUSLY FREE, REQUIRE IMPORT LICENSES AND ARE SUBJECT TO QUOTA RESTRICTIONS: MUTTON AND LAMB, FRESH AND FROZEN PORK, SPECIAL POULTRY PARTS (BACKS, NECKS, LEGS), APPLES, CANNED VEGETABLES, GRAPES,
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PEANUTS, POTATOES, (SAUSAGE AND OTHER PORK PRODUCTS DO NOT

REQUIRE LICENSES).

3. ISSUANCE OF IMPORT LICENSES WILL BE DONE ON CASE-BY-CASE BASIS AT TRADE MINISTER'S DISCRETION. TRADE MINISTRY PEOPLE HAVE INFORMED EMBASSY THAT SPECIAL EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO ACCOMMODATE FOOD ITEMS MEANT FOR TOURIST/HOTEL CONSUMPTION.

4. USDA MAY WISH TO INFORM EXHIBITORS AT JUNE 11-12 FOOD SHOW OF ABOVE RESTRICTIONS. SOME, PARTICULARLY THOSE WHOSE PRODUCTS ARE BANNED, MAY WISH TO RECONSIDER PARTICIPATION.

5. COMMENT: BAN ON WHOLE POULTRY MAY NOT BE AS SERIOUS AS FIRST APPEARED. EVIDENTLY LARGEST USERS (INCLUDING KENTUCKY FRIED CHICKEN) BRING IN POULTRY IN PARTS RATHER THAN WHOLE CHICKENS. PARTS ARE IMPORTABLE ALBEIT UNDER LICENCE AND

SINCE LOCAL POULTRY SUPPLY IS ALWAYS FAR SHORT OF DEMAND, WE EXPECT THAT GOB TRADE MINISTRY WILL NOT WISH TO CUT DRASTICALLY POULTRY SUPPLIES FROM ABROAD.
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